

## STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant: **Schlumberger Technology Corporation**

Application No.:

Docket No.: 68.0496

Entitled: **Gas Lift Apparatus and Method for Producing a Well**

Schlumberger Technology Corporation, a corporation, states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

- A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel: \_\_\_\_\_, Frame: \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

- B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above to current assignee as shown below:

1. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
The document was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office at Reel \_\_\_\_\_, Frame \_\_\_\_\_, or for which a copy thereof is attached.
2. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. From: \_\_\_\_\_ To: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

The undersigned is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee

Date: 4 Oct 04

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Jaime A. Castaño  
Intellectual Property Counsel

## Assignment

WHEREAS, the undersigned inventors hereinafter referred to as the "Inventors" each said Inventor's address being listed below

**Robert P. Rouen**, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1417 Hideaway Lane West, Lindale, Texas 75771;

Has/have invented certain new and useful improvements in

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as described and set forth in an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 7, 2004, Serial No.10/711820 (Docket No. 68.0496).

WHEREAS each of the undersigned persons warrants that no person other than these undersigned persons are inventors of the above-described invention;

AND WHEREAS, the **"COMPANIES"**, listed in **Schedule A**, are desirous of acquiring or confirming their acquisition of the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions or improvements, and in and to said application, and in and to any and all patents, both of the United States and of all foreign countries, that may be obtained therefore **as outlined in Schedule A;**

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, BE IT KNOWN, that the undersigned Inventors, for good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which hereby acknowledge, have sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed, and by this assignment do sell, assign, transfer and convey, unto said COMPANIES, their successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest throughout the world, in and to the above-described invention, inventions or improvements described or set forth in said application, in any form or embodiment thereof, and in and to said application, and in and to any applications filed in any foreign country based thereon, including the right to file foreign applications under the provisions of any convention or treaty; and in and to any confirmation, divisional, continuation, continuation-in-part, or substitute application which may be filed on said invention, inventions or improvements in the United States or in any foreign country; and in and to any and all patents, certificates, utility models, reissues, extensions, additions or confirmations thereof which may be granted in the United States or in any foreign country upon said invention, inventions or improvements,

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same to the full end of the term or terms for which any and all such United States and foreign patents and grants may be issued on said invention, inventions or improvements.

AND said Inventors do hereby authorize and request the issuing authority to issue any and all of said United States and foreign patents on said application or applications to said **COMPANIES**,

their successors and assigns, as the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and benefit of said **COMPANIES**, their successors and assigns.

AND said Inventors do hereby covenant and warrant that said Inventors have full right to convey the entire right, title and interest herein assigned free and clear of all licenses, encumbrances and liens whatsoever, and that no said Inventors has executed and will execute any instruments in conflict herewith.

AND said Inventors, for the conditions aforesaid, do hereby covenant and agree to and with the said **COMPANIES**, their successors and assigns, that each Inventor, his or her executors, administrators, or other personal representatives, shall and will do all lawful acts and things, make all rightful oaths, and make, execute and deliver any and all other instruments in writing, and any and all further applications, papers, powers, affidavits, assignments, disclaimers and other documents, which in the opinion of counsel for said **COMPANIES**, their successors and assigns, may be required or necessary in this or in any foreign country more effectually to secure to and vest in said **COMPANIES**, their successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention, inventions or improvements, application or applications, patents, rights, titles, benefits, privileges, and advantages hereby sold, assigned, confirmed, transferred and conveyed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I, **Robert P. Rouen**, have hereunto set my hand and seal this

5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004.

Robert P. Rouen

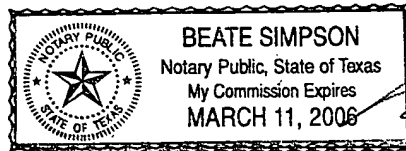
**Robert P. Rouen**

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Smith

BEFORE ME this 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004, personally appeared **Robert P. Rouen**, to me known to be the person who is described in and who executed the foregoing assignment instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purpose therein expressed.

Seal



Beate Simpson  
Notary Public

## **Schedule A**

### **“COMPANIES”**

#### **SCHLUMBERGER CANADA LIMITED**

Corporation of: Canada

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Assignee for applications in: Canada

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Corporation of: the Netherlands

Located at: P.O. Box 71, Craigmuir Chambers, Road Town, Tortola, BVI

Assignee for applications in: Great Britain, Japan, Malaysia, The Netherlands

#### **SCHLUMBERGER TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION**

Corporation of: USA

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Assignee for applications in: USA

#### **SERVICES PETROLIERS SCHLUMBERGER**

Corporation of: France

Located at: 42 rue Saint Dominique, 75007 Paris, FR

Assignee for applications in: France